

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR PATENT APPLICATIONS**

As an inventor, I declare:

My residence, post office and citizenship are as stated next to my name. I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below), or a joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the invention claimed in the patent application entitled:

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the specification of which

is attached.

was filed on _____ as Serial Number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

I claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year	Yes	No
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I claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below, and, insofar as this application discloses and claims subject matter not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or Patent Cooperation Treaty International filing date of this application:

08/667,758 Application Serial No.	June 21, 1996 Filing Date	Pending Patented/Pending/Abandoned
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 60/031,302 Provisional Application Serial No.	06/30/97 Filing Date	

POWER OF ATTORNEY: I appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and any International application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty based on it, and to transact all business in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office connected with either of them.

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